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Reports

DIARY - ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR (A) *JMW*

Friday - 12 September 1952

1. Colonel Edwards advised me that at [redacted] request he was meeting with Mr. Wisner and [redacted] to discuss Mr. Hedden's trip. They are worried about cover in view of Mr. Hedden's recent publicity and the fact that he apparently plans to take his wife with him on this round-the-world trip.

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2. I advised the Assistant Director (Personnel), [redacted], and [redacted] that effective Monday, 15 September 1952, the Special Contracting Unit was transferred to the Personnel Office, reporting directly to the Personnel Director. I have talked to [redacted] Mr. Meloon, and [redacted] and emphasized the necessity of having this Unit report to the Personnel Director and of maintaining its ~~semi~~-autonomous position and method of operation as it is now established. I have also indicated that physically it should remain near the operating offices it services. This transfer will be confirmed in an Agency Notice.

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3. [redacted] reports that [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] will not be forced to retire until 31 March 1954 according to present rulings. The deliberations on this subject, however, are not complete, and he will furnish me with a complete memorandum as soon as he knows the whole story.

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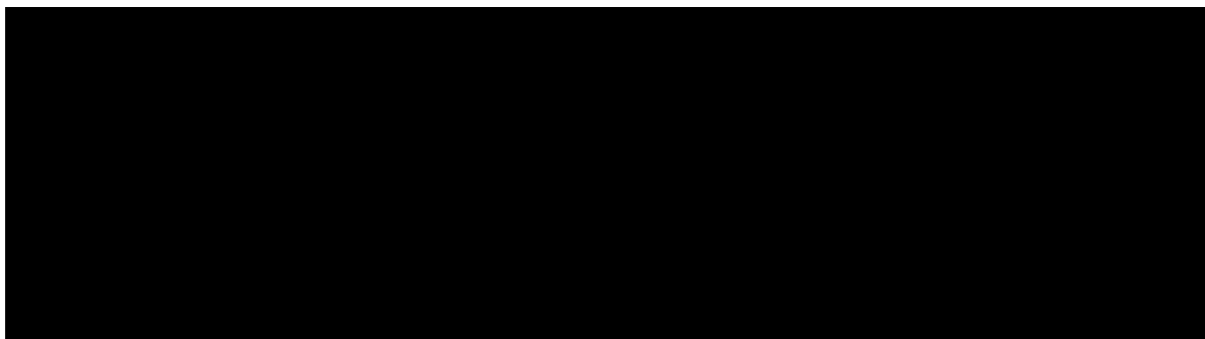
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4. I talked to [redacted] who is Acting Deputy/ of Training in Matt Baird's absence, concerning their program to send young students to foreign areas for area and language training. I think he now understands that we do not desire in any way to question the value of his program, but want to make sure that it has the Director's approval from a policy point of view before he embarks upon it.

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5. I approved a specific request of Bob Amory to install a radio in the car which is assigned to ORR.

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~~Also~~ *Talked to* [redacted] and reviewed Agenda for the meeting with the Career Service Executive Committee on 17 September 1952.

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8. Told Sheff Edwards that Stuart Hedden was assuming complete responsibility for investigation of the [redacted] irregularities, and that he should turn over what information they had already obtained to Mr. Hedden as early as possible. If Mr. Hedden desires further assistance, either in the form of information which I&S could obtain or a team to go out there, I&S should ~~apply~~. *Comply.*

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9. I told [redacted] of Personnel to go ahead with the appointments of [redacted] as Head of PSB, [redacted] as a Consultant at \$50 per day, and [redacted] as a Consultant at the top of grade GS-15, approximately \$45 per day. Incidentally, it is the opinion of the General Counsel that [redacted] will have to be employed under the provisions of PL 53, which uses up another one of these 15 slots.

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